

## **08-405 Avoyelles Correctional Center**

### **Agency Description**

The Avoyelles Correctional Center (AVC), located in Avoyelles Parish, outside Cottonport, opened in October 1990. The prison is located on a 1,187-acre tract that includes 38 acres of vegetable fields and 80 acres on which the institution itself is sited. Inmate living areas include four dormitories (including an honor dorm for inmates who maintain a very good institutional conduct record) and a working cellblock for maximum custody inmates whose institutional conduct precludes assignment to minimum or medium custody dormitories. Current operational capacity is 1,538. In February 1993, the AVC began operating under the unit management concept, in which Corrections Security Officer majors serve as unit managers. This concept allows for more defined areas of responsibility and accountability. The AVC received American Correctional Association accreditation in December 1992 and was released from the federal consent decree in 1997.

The mission of the Avoyelles Correctional Center is to provide for the custody, control, care, and treatment of adjudicated offenders through enforcement of laws and implementation of programs designed to ensure the safety of the public, staff and inmates and to reintegrate offenders into society.

The goals of the Avoyelles Correctional Center are:

1. Maximize public safety through appropriate and effective custodial and supervisory programs.
2. Provide for the safety of correctional staff and inmates by maintaining an organized and disciplined system of operations that promotes stability in institutional and other field operations.
3. Ensure that basic services relating to adequate food, clothing, medical care, and shelter are provided to the inmate population.
4. Provide an environment that enables behavior change by making rehabilitative opportunities available for inmates who demonstrate motivation for change and the desire to participate in rehabilitative programs.

The Avoyelles Correctional Center has four programs: Administration, Incarceration, Rehabilitation, and Health Services.

## AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$16,449,044	\$17,028,240	\$17,028,240	\$17,946,692	\$17,747,561	\$719,321
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	62,808	62,808	62,808	62,808	62,808	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	1,044,692	1,156,596	1,156,596	1,156,596	1,156,596	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	112,897	112,897	112,897
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING</b>	<b>\$17,556,544</b>	<b>\$18,247,644</b>	<b>\$18,247,644</b>	<b>\$19,278,993</b>	<b>\$19,079,862</b>	<b>\$832,218</b>
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration	\$2,010,743	\$1,886,422	\$1,886,422	\$1,833,141	\$2,064,747	\$178,325
Incarceration	12,803,691	13,308,203	13,308,203	14,299,411	13,972,479	664,276
Rehabilitation	178,557	184,177	184,177	194,282	197,450	13,273
Health Services	1,721,949	1,918,842	1,918,842	2,002,159	1,895,186	(23,656)
Auxiliary Account	841,604	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	0
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST</b>	<b>\$17,556,544</b>	<b>\$18,247,644</b>	<b>\$18,247,644</b>	<b>\$19,278,993</b>	<b>\$19,079,862</b>	<b>\$832,218</b>
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	385	378	377	377	373	(4)
Unclassified	4	4	4	4	4	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>(4)</b>

The Table of Organization (T.O.) has been adjusted to reflect 2 Other Charges positions transferred to the authorized T.O. for fiscal year 2002-2003.